

CONTINUUM OF AFFIRMATION

JUNE 10, 2018

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Prelude

Hymn of the Month 1066: *O Brother Sun*

Welcome, Announcements: *Pride parade at 1:00 today, meet at City Park by 12:30, all are invited to join us as we carry our banners and affirmation flag.*

Invocation & Chalice Lighting by *Athne Machdane*



Let us open the 7 wheels of energy in our spirit bodies:

1. Muladhara, our root chakra: Ray of Trust
2. Svadhisthana, our sacral chakra: Ray of Creativity
3. Manipura, our solar plexus chakra: Ray of Wisdom
4. Anahata, our heart chakra: Ray of Love
5. Vishuddha, our throat chakra: Ray of Communication
6. Ajna, our third eye chakra: Ray of Awareness
7. Sahaswara, our crown chakra: Ray of Spirituality

With perfect love and compassion, So Mote it Be

Background information regarding chakras from Chopra Center:

<https://chopra.com/articles/what-is-a-chakra>

***Opening Hymn** 1053: *How Could Anyone*

***Unison Covenant**

Love is the spirit of this church and service is its cause. This is our great covenant, to dwell together in peace, to seek the truth in love, and to help one another. *James Vila Blake (adapted)*

Joys and Concerns

All of us hold within our hearts both joys and concerns, some which we share aloud and some which we keep silent. This community is one of love, compassion, and support for each other and for all people. You are invited to come forward and light a candle to share your joy or

concern with our community. Or, if you prefer, you are invited to write your private joy or sorrow on one of the cards from the basket. After the service, you may place your card in Altar of Hope. All prayers are private and treated with reverence and respect. Following the service today a burning ceremony will be conducted as a symbolic joining with universal healing energies.

Sharing the fruits of our labor and good fortune

Reading: *Affirmation of Hope* by Loretta F. Williams. Adapted by Athne Machdane, view original text at: <https://www.uua.org/worship/words/affirmation/affirmation-hope>

Presentation: *7 Rays of Being* by Athne Machdane

Silent Meditation

Devotional Activity *Statements of Affirmation*



All are invited to come forth as willing and able to write your statements of love, hope and affirmation upon the rainbow coexist flag displayed upon the altar. This will be carried later today in the Casper Pride parade. All are welcome and encouraged to celebrate our continuum of affirmation by joining us in the parade or siding with love upon its route in body and/or spirit. *Please use the silver markers provided.*

***Lighting the Chalice Within (in unison):** We thank Deity, the Elements, our spirit guides, ancestors, departed loved ones and beloved community for empowering and sharing in this gathering. Let the sacred chalice flame burn bright and eternal in our hearts, a beacon of hope and affirmation to all sentient beings. We carry with us the love and compassion gathered here as we continue in our dance of life...

*** Circle Dance:** *Unda* by Faun Move to outer aisle ways, form circle around seats facing altar, join hands and step in a clockwise direction as the music plays, follow the service leaders while swaying to the beat. At the conclusion of the circle dance the prayer cards will be burnt in a fire bowl set up in the parking lot.